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ECUADOR.

Report from Guayaquil—Fumigation of vessels—Plague and yellow fever—Leprosy.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Wightman reports, March 18: .

During the 3 weeks ended March 13, 4 steamships were fumigated.

Statistics from the lazarettoes.

	Yellow fever.		Plague.	
	New cases.	Deaths.	New cases.	Deaths.
Weeks ended—				
February 27	5	9	16	3
March 6	17	5	13	2
March 13	21	9	10	7

With the exception of leprosy, which is always present, no other quarantinable disease was reported in Guayaquil.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

Report from Dar-es-Salaam—Summary of plague—Examination of rats for plague infection.

Consul Garrels reports, February 25:

Two cases of plague, one of which was fatal, occurred October 10, 1908, at Dar-es-Salaam. The sanitary bureau directed the placing of rat poison in the infected area and advised householders to rid their premises of rats by means of traps and poisons. No plague was found among the rats examined. October 21 another plague death occurred in the infected district. The house was disinfected and closed. November 3 the city was declared free from plague under the terms of the Paris convention of December 3, 1903. November 24 a plague death occurred in the locality in which the first case occurred. Of 95 rats examined during the few days previous to this second outbreak, 3 were found to be plague infected. This case was followed by 3 cases occurring December 7, 10, and 17, respectively. The case reported December 7 occurred outside the area previously reported infected. Of these cases 2 were fatal. Between December 25 and 31 a plague case occurred; January 7, a fatal case was reported. Of 230 rats examined to December 19, 5 were found to be plague infected; between December 25 and 31, 1 per cent were found infected. The case reported January 7 occurred in the district first infected. January 14 the city was again declared free from plague. There has been no recurrence of plague to February 25.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Report from Bristol—Smallpox.

Vice-Consul Byington reports, March 15:

Smallpox has appeared in Bristol and vicinity. The disease has not assumed an epidemic form.